

FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS

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Legislation Title:

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Plumbing Code, repealing Section 22.500.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code, amending Section 22.502.016 of the Seattle Municipal Code; and adopting by reference Chapter 51-56 of the Washington Administrative Code, and amending certain of those chapters; adopting a new Chapter 1 related to administration, permitting and enforcement; and repealing Sections 2-46 of Ordinance 119774.

Summary of the Legislation:

This legislation adopts the 2012 Seattle Plumbing Code, consisting of the 2012 Uniform Plumbing Code and Seattle amendments.

Background:

This legislation is one of seven coordinated bills that regulate construction and use of buildings in Seattle. Six are prepared by the Department of Planning and Development (DPD): the Seattle Building, Residential, Mechanical, Fuel Gas, Energy and Existing Building codes. This is the seventh bill that adopts the 2012 Plumbing Code, which is administered by Public Health – Seattle & King County. These codes are the current state and national standards for building construction. A related bill adopting the 2012 Seattle Fire Code is being heard by the City Council Public Safety, Civil Rights and Technology Committee.

New editions of these codes are adopted by the State every 3 years, and State law requires local jurisdictions to enforce them. Seattle adds local amendments to the State codes.

X **This legislation does not have any financial implications.**

Other Implications:

- a) **Does the legislation have indirect financial implications, or long-term implications?**
No
- b) **What is the financial cost of not implementing the legislation?**
There is no cost if the legislation is not implemented.
- c) **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**
Departments that will install or alter plumbing or gas piping systems will be required to meet updated construction standards. However, state law requires all cities and counties

to adopt the state codes. The Seattle amendments are enhancements of the state codes.

d) What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives?

The alternative is to adopt the state codes only, without Seattle amendments.

e) Is a public hearing required for this legislation?

No.

f) Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?

g) No.

h) Does this legislation affect a piece of property?

No.

i) Other Issues:

List attachments to the fiscal note below:

Attachment 1 Highlights of 2012 Seattle Plumbing Code